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SUBJ: NIGHT REACH: URGENT UN PROCUREMENT REQUEST FOR ISRAELI-SYRIAN BUFFER

1. UN WISHES TO PURCHASE FROM USG TEN HALF TRACK VEHICLES FOR EARLIEST POSSIBLE DELIVERY TO SYRIAN-ISRAELI BUFFER ZONE. VEHCILES ARE URGENTLY NEEDED TO PATROL UPPER REACHES OF MOUNT HERMON, LAST TEN KOLOMETERS OF WHICH CONSISTS OF STEEPLY INCLINED, UNPAVED TRACK.

2. FIELD OPERATIONS SERVICE CHIEF LANSKY TELLS US HE BELIEVES CONFIDENTIAL

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US M-3 (8.4 TON) HALF-TRACKS ARE MOST SUITABLE FOR THIS TERRAIN.

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HOWEVER, IF THESE ARE NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE, HE WOULD WELCOME DOD SUGGESTIONS FOR ALTERNATIVE VEHICLES. SINCE ISRAELIS HAVE BEEN USING M-3'S, UN WOULD PREFER TRUCKS TO BE PAINTED WHITE BEFORE DELIVERY--IF THAT WOULD NOT INVOLVE UNDUE DELAY.

3. ON DIFFERENCT SUBJECT, LANSKY SAID UN MAY HAVE TO REQUEST EMERGENCY AIRLIFT FROM USG IF ISRAELIS DO NOT PERMIT UNDOF POLISH LOGISTICS COMPONENT TO TRAVEL BY LAND THROUGH ISRAEL TO NORTHERN FRONT. SYG INSTRUCTED ACTING UNEF COMMANDER ERSKINE TO INFORM ISRAELI GOVT JUNE 1 THAT CONVOY, INCLUDING POLES, WILL BE PROCEEDING TO ISRAELI-SYRIAN ZONE ON MONDAY OR TUESDAY OF NEXT WEEK. AFTER ISRAEL'S RESPONSE, UN WILL KNOW IF AIRLIFT IS NEEDED. (WE SUGGESTED THAT IF POLES REQUIRE TRANSPORT, USSR BE APPROACHED FIRST, AND LANSKY AGREED.) UNDOF POLISH ELEMENT WILL COMPRISE 100 TO 130 MEN AND 30 TWO AND ONE-HALF TON TRUCKS.

4. EVENING MAY 31, LANSKY TELEPHONED TO SAY SYG MIGHT RAISE ONE OR BOTH OF ABOVE SUBJECTS WITH SECRETARY AT JUNE 1 MEETING.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: BECAUSE OF URGENCY OF REQUEST WOULD APPROCIATE EARLIEST POSSIBLE NOTIFICATION FROM STATE AND DOD WHETHER AMTRAKS CAN BE PROVIDED AND, IF SO, WHEN THEY COULD BE DELIVERED TO AREA. (ASUME DELIVERY FROM EUROPEAN DEPOT WOULD BE FASTEST METHOD IF THAT WERE POSSIBLE.) REQUEST AT LEAST TENTATIVE REPLY BY JUNE 3.
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